

**Andersen, Sara**

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**Subject:** HB289 Vote Yes

Sara - Please pass my public comment to House - Human Services, regarding HB 289 - Study institutions serving people with mental illnesses and others. I cannot appear for public testimony as I am getting over the flu. I respectfully request the committee to pass this bill. We have over 250 inmates in Deer Lodge with a mental illness receiving little to no mental health treatment. Inmates have to file grievances regarding no mental health treatment, and still do not receive the help they need. The State hospital forensic unit is overwhelmed with forensic patients they have no place to put them. Please pass this bill, so we can find ways that will provide the treatment needed. Thank you.

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